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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YAVAPAI

IN THE MATTER OF:

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGIONAL
LIMITED JURISDICTION VETERANS'
TREATMENT COURT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2020 - 01

WHEREAS, A.R.S. §22-601 allows the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court ("Presiding Judge") to establish a Regional Limited Jurisdiction Veterans' Treatment Court ("Veterans' Treatment Court") to adjudicate cases filed in any Justice Court in the county;

WHEREAS, A.R.S. §22-601(1)(B) requires the Presiding Judge to establish the eligibility criteria for referral to the Veterans' Treatment Court;

WHEREAS, a number of the Justice Courts in Yavapai County have joined together by virtue of a mutual agreement to create a Veterans' Treatment Court;

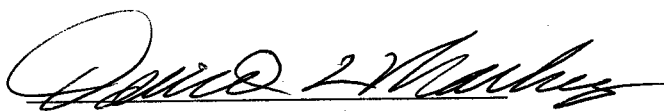
IT IS ORDERED as follows:

1. Any Justice Court in Yavapai County shall be permitted to participate in the Veterans' Treatment Court established for cases involving defendants who have served in the United States armed forces and who are willing to participate in treatment with either the Veterans' Administration or other health care providers. The cases of the veterans shall be adjudicated in accordance with such procedures as may be agreed upon between each sending jurisdiction and the Yavapai County Attorney's Office.
2. Justice of the Peace of the Mayer Justice Court Bill Rummer is assigned to preside over the Veterans' Treatment Court and all Justice Courts in Yavapai County shall be eligible to refer appropriate cases to Judge Rummer. In his absence, Justice of the Peace Bill Rummer may assign such other Yavapai County Justices of the Peace or Yavapai County Justices of the Peace Pro Tempore to preside over the Veterans' Treatment Court as may be necessary and permitted within existing budgets.

CC: Clerk of Court(s)
Chief Deputy(s)

3. The Veterans' Treatment Court sessions will be held at either of the Yavapai County Superior Court buildings in Prescott and the Verde Valley in Courtrooms arranged through Court Administration and with staff provided by the Yavapai County Justice Courts.
4. The Justice Court in which the charges originated is responsible for obtaining approval of the transfer of a case from the Yavapai County Attorney's Office and shall notify the assigned Deputy County Attorney once a criminal cases is referred to Veterans' Treatment Court. Appropriate paperwork will be prepared by the court in which the charges originated documenting the defendant's waiver of Rule 8 time limits and any jurisdictional issues. If the defendant fails to participate in the Veterans' Treatment Court or desires a trial, the case will be referred back to the sending jurisdiction.
5. Pursuant to A.R.S. §22-602, the origination Justice Court shall maintain jurisdiction of a case that is referred to the Veterans' Treatment Court. In addition, any judicial officer in the county where the offense occurred shall have the authority to adjudicate a case referred to the Veterans' Treatment Court.

DATED this 23rd day of January, 2020



Hon. David L. Mackey
Presiding Judge

cc: Presiding Judges - All Justice of the Peace Court in Yavapai County
Rolf Eckel, Court Administrator
Court Administrators - All Justice of the Peace Court in Yavapai County
Dennis McGrane, Deputy Yavapai County Attorney
Kennedy Klagge, Yavapai County Public Defender